

Minutes of Meeting
Health Services Council
Project Review Committee-II

DATE: 29 May 2008

TIME: 2:30 PM

LOCATION: Conference Room 401
Department of Health

ATTENDANCE:

Committee-II: Present: Wallace Gernt, Sen. Catherine E. Graziano, RN, PhD, Robert Hamel, RN, Robert J. Quigley, DC, (Chair), Rev. David F. Shire (Secretary)

Excused: Victoria Almeida Esq. (Vice Chair), Raymond C. Coia, Esq., Gary Gaube, Maria Gil, Denise Panichas

Not Present: Rosemary Booth Gallogly

Staff: Loreen Angell, Michael K. Dexter, Robert Marshall, PhD, Joseph G. Miller, Esq.

Public: (Attached)

1. Call to Order, Approval of Minutes, Conflict of Interest Forms and Extension for the Minutes Availability

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM. The Chair noted that conflict of interest forms are available to any member who may have a conflict. A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of five in favor with none opposed (5-0) that the availability of minutes for this meeting be extended beyond the time frame as provided for under the Open Meetings Act. Those members voting in favor were: Gernt, Graziano, Hamel, Quigley, Shire.

2. General Order of Business

The next item on the agenda was the request for a change to the change in effective control approvals of FC-Gen Investments, LLC and GHC Holdings, LLC regarding the former Genesis facilities (Grandview Center, Grand Islander Center and Kent Regency Center).

The applicant discussed the proposal and the reasons for the change in effective control.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of four in favor, none opposed, and one abstention (4-0-1) to recommend that the application be approved with conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Graziano, Hamel, Quigley, Shire. Those members abstaining were: Gernt.

The next item on the agenda was the application of Epoch Sleep Centers, LLC for initial licensure to establish an Organized Ambulatory Care Facility at 1407 South County Trail in East Greenwich.

The applicant reviewed the proposal and addressed Committee questions. The Committee requested that outreach policies with regards to the availability of charity care at the proposed facility be provided for the Health Services Council meeting.

A motion was made, seconded and passed by a vote of five in favor and none opposed (5-0) that the application be approved with conditions of approval. Those members voting in favor were: Gernt, Graziano, Hamel, Quigley and Shire.

The next item on the agenda was the application of South County Quality Care, Inc. [South County Hospital Healthcare System] for initial licensure to establish a Home Nursing Care Provider agency at 14 Woodruff Avenue in Narragansett.

Mr. Gernt noted for the record that he is recusing himself with regards to this application.

The applicant proposes a for-profit subsidiary of South County Hospital Healthcare System to provide private duty/private care

nursing services to patients in the South County area. The Committee requested that a representative of South County Hospital be present at the next meeting and that additional information be provided concerning the lease, relationship of the for-profit agency with the non-profit hospital parent, disposition of profits resulting from the service, and outreach policies regarding availability of charity care services.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Marshall, PhD